

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a regular meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on June 15, 2010.

Acting Mayor Gover presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Acting Mayor Gover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Tim Gover.

Also physically present were City personnel: City Administrator Sue McLaughlin, Attorney & Treasurer J. Preston Owen, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Gill, Public Works Director David Wortman, Fire Chief Tony Nichols, Police Chief Jeff Branson, Library Director Ryan Franklin, and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting June 1, 2010; Fire Department report for the month of May, 2010; bills and payroll for the first half of June, 2010.

Bills and Payroll for the first half of June, 2010

General Fund

Payroll	\$ 245,483.43
Bills	<u>\$ 139,070.45</u>
Total	\$ 384,553.88

Hotel Tax Fund

Payroll	\$ 2,253.15
Bills	<u>\$ 1,872.25</u>
Total	\$ 4,125.40

Festival Management

Bills	<u>\$ 1,203.84</u>
Total	\$ 1,203.84

Insurance & Tort Judgment

Bills	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,000.00

Capital Project Fund

Bills	<u>\$ 20,405.17</u>
Total	\$ 20,405.17

Water Fund

Payroll	\$ 67,737.79
Bills	<u>\$ 32,459.52</u>
Total	\$ 100,197.31

Sewer Fund

Payroll	\$ 40,569.10
Bills	<u>\$ 21,075.90</u>
Total	\$ 61,645.00

Cemetery Fund

Payroll	\$ 6,354.55
Bills	<u>\$ 2,199.01</u>
Total	\$ 8,553.56

Motor Fuel Tax Fund

Bills	<u>\$ 9,747.60</u>
Total	\$ 9,747.60

Health Insurance

Bills		\$ 88,078.85
	Total	\$ 88,078.85

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion to approve the consent agenda carried by the following vote: YEA
Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Public comments/presentations and non-agenda items

Ms. Katherine French requested repairs to her alley in the block between 26th and 27th Street and Moultrie. Director Wortman was to examine the alley and report to Ms. French. Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Commissioner Ervin presented Public Works Assistant Director Chris Hartbank a plaque recognizing his retirement and more than 28 years of service with the City.

Administrator McLaughlin opened discussion on Operation Community Pride as a team effort across departments, using proprietary software to address code enforcement issues; announced four zone areas of the City; described enforcement methods with all properties' compliance as the overall goal and place Top Ten sites on the website; noted the proposal was based on the strategic planning session.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for Council questions or comments.

Council commented favorably to the proposal, discussed format of website entry, encouraged other groups to assist with cleanup and pursue grants.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for public comments.

Ms. French requested the property located at 2604 Moultrie to be placed on the list. Ms. Ryan Franklin proposed placing compliant properties on website as well.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to adopt Special Ordinance 2010-1393, approving a side letter agreement between the City of Mattoon and the Mattoon Firefighters Association Local 691 concerning the manner in which the next promotional cycle is administered.

**CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS
SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2010-1393**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MATTOON AND
THE MATTOON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 691 IN REGARDS TO THE MANNER IN WHICH
THE NEXT PROMOTIONAL CYCLE IS ADMINISTERED.**

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon (hereinafter "City") entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") with the Mattoon Firefighters Association Local 691 (hereinafter "Firefighters") on June 7, 2006 which is effective until April 30, 2010; and,

WHEREAS, said Agreement allows the City and the Association to make changes in the manner in which the next promotional cycle is administered; and,

WHEREAS, the parties have drafted a Side Letter Agreement to memorialize the terms of their agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MATTOON, COLES COUNTY, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby approves and ratifies the Side Letter Agreement hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be deemed published as of the day of its adoption and approval by the City Council.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective upon its approval as provided by law.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ervin, adopted this 15th day of June, 2010, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Ervin, Commissioner Hall,
Commissioner Rankin, Acting Mayor Gover
NAYS (Names): None
ABSENT (Names): None

Approved this 15th day of June, 2010.

/s/ Tim Gover
Tim Gover, Acting Mayor
City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois

ATTEST:
/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
Susan J. O'Brien, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/ J Preston Owen
J. Preston Owen, City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on June 16, 2010.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to adopt Council Decision Request 2010-1106, ratifying the Acting Mayor's Mattoon Public Library Board appointments of Brandon Kimberlin to replace Jack Keth's unexpired term of 06-30-12; Molly Grady to replace Liana Hite, Tony Nicholson to replace Steve Ferguson, and re-appointment of Jo Swick for terms expiring 06-30-13.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to adopt Council Decision Request 2010-1107, accepting and approving the proposal from Midwest Meter, Inc. for the purchase of 500 Badger Orion radio-read transponders in the amount of \$44,250 to replace current meters.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Attended the ILCMA Summer Conference; focused on code enforcement issues; attended Bidwell's opening; met with Utz to discuss architecture of the Public Works building; described the Progress Square Plan and Siemens contract; and announced her appointment to the ILCMA Board as Secretary/Treasurer. Acting Mayor Gover added the attendance of the Progress Square meeting, and YMCA Parking lot meeting.

ATTORNEY & TREASURER – announced the close of the fiscal year and auditors' arrival next week; and mentioned the \$800,000 income tax the State of Illinois owes the City.

CITY CLERK – had nothing new at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS – noted the continued work on the water main installation, Howell Asphalt milling project, commencement of the sidewalk contract, installation of a manhole at 11th Street and Marshall Avenue, initiation of the smoke-testing of combined sewers near 6th Street, asphalt patching, full-depth patching, mosquito spraying when the weather clears, and operation of the 26th/27th Street and Charleston combined sewer. Commissioner Ervin inquired as to the bumps in the pavement on Rudy Avenue. Director Wortman stated the bumps were due to old concrete expansions.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – informed the Council of concentration on the Code Enforcement strategies and determination of the Top Ten sites and review of 2010 Census map for corporate boundaries.

FIRE – announced the continuation of EMS training, monitor of tornado sirens, ambulance on standby at Douglas Hart Nature Center's event, participation at Boys Complex Kids Fair, truck maintaining fire suppression at the ICTC building, inspections of VFW, Spank's, and Donny's Place; and receipt of grant for \$1498 for camera equipment.

POLICE – announced new cars which were purchased with seizure money and \$21,000 grant and monitoring of traffic flow at 17th Street and Broadway.

COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioner Ervin revisited the request for separation of water and sewer rates for those residents who have swimming pools. Director Wortman stated the watering of lawns as another request, but further stated the effect would increase the rates to cover those reduced collections.

Commissioner Hall had nothing at this time.

Commissioner Rankin had nothing at this time.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for public questions with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to recess to closed session at 7:21 p.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(2)).

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Council reconvened 7:33 p.m.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk